

OLD GUARD FORCE FIGHT HUMILIATE ROOSEVELT

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 25.—The battle between "old guard" Republicans and progressives for control of the party through the state convention which meets here on Tuesday, continued unabated today; but interest has shifted from the Sherman-Roosevelt fight for temporary chairmanship to the nature of platform that will be adopted, with special emphasis on the direct nomination plank.

Although it has been announced by the progressive leaders that the committee would not be able to reconsider its vote by which Vice President Sherman was selected over Theodore Roosevelt for tempo-

rary chairman, it was said tonight that the "old guard" would take the bull by the horns and force the issue on its own account. This indicates that the "old guard" regards itself as still safely entrenched in the committee.

While the reason advanced is that the committee owes itself a formal vindication for its action in view of the aspersions that have been cast upon it by Colonel Roosevelt's friends, the latter say that the real purpose is to harass and embarrass the colonel by placing the committee on record for a second time that he is not the choice for temporary chairman.

WILL MANAGE VIRGINIA HARNED FOR TWO YEARS

ARTHUR J. AYLESWORTH SECURES CONTRACT WITH FAMOUS ACTRESS.

Arthur J. Aylesworth, the local theatrical magnate, will manage Virginia Harned for the next two years, according to a contract that has lately been drawn up in Reno. Virginia Harned is one of the best-known American stars on the stage and came to Reno about a year ago to secure a divorce from her actor husband, E. H. Sothern. As soon as the final decree is granted, she will start on a western tour that will end in New York.

Mr. Aylesworth, who has been identified with the stage for many years, met Virginia Harned in Reno, and after a few conferences, was successful in being chosen as her manager. For three years she was under contract for Charles Frohman, and had planned to open in New York under Wm. A. Brady, but owing to a misunderstanding, all negotiations fell flat. Miss Harned will star in a new play that was written especially for her.

This will be the first time in the history of Nevada that the entire production and initial performance of a metropolitan play will be made in this state. A corps of scenic artists have been brought from New York and are now working on the scenery, while the balance of the company are en route from the East and rehearsals will start on October 1. The opening performance will be held at Reno, and will be followed by a tour, including Tonopah, Goldfield and the entire West. Then the company will proceed to New York for quite a stay in that city.

Mr. Aylesworth will not dispose of his local interests here, nor those at Goldfield or Reno, for he will leave his business in the hands of a competent assistant, and from time to time will make short visits to Nevada to personally inspect his line of theaters. He will continue to book first-class attractions, and the theater-goers of this state will be afforded many a treat in the way of the latest plays.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PARTY THURSDAY NIGHT

The members of Tonopah Council Knights of Columbus are planning for an entertainment Thursday evening, which is to be held at the Elks hall. The affair will be invitational and the committee has planned for cards to be followed with singing, music, dancing and refreshments. Suitable prizes will be awarded to the players. The committee in charge consists of F. P. Mannix, J. S. McGinn, John Troy, E. A. Kelleher and Ed Malley.

CRAZY MAN CHASED FOR OVER SIX MILES

HANNA, Wyo., Sept. 25.—After being restrained from leaping from a Union Pacific transcontinental train near Sherman, Wyo., Charles Burns, a passenger, left the train here, acting wildly and was pursued for six miles across the sagebrush before he was caught.

Burns was taken to jail and proceeded to jab his throat with a nail file until it was taken from him. He calmed down later and was sent on west.

STRANGE STORY OF THE LOVE OF A CHAUFFEUR

AFTER MANY TURN-DOWNS HE WINS LOVE OF MILLIONAIRE HEIRESS.

It is very seldom that the Butler theatre can secure such a program of good pictures as they have for today. "The Three Cherry Pits" is a dueling story with the death left out. The interest in this picture is greatly increased by the excellent character studies of the dignified old gentleman and his unique way of returning three cherry pits thrown at him by thoughtless youths. "Back to Nature" is a love story in which a chauffeur falls in love with his employer's daughter, and she ignores him by her haughtiness and indifference. They all start for Australia, but a storm comes up and the vessel is wrecked and the chauffeur proves the hero, and of course the rest is easy for him. "Wilful Peggy" is a beautiful Biograph drama in which Peggy makes everyone acquainted with her strict adherence to truthfulness and honesty. Admirers find she will not tolerate any trifling, and though she may be awkward and unacquainted with new society, she eventually occupies a place of envy with the other girls.

NEARLY DROWN WHILE BATHING AT LOS ANGELES

TWO TONOPAH BATHERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

When John R. Leach, of the Tonopah Drug company, and Martin Johnson, of McKim's left Tonopah about a week ago for Los Angeles, it was predicted by many that they should have taken along a chaperon, and now reports from the coast show that predictions were just about true. According to the late dope it appears that both the Tonopah visitors were taking their annual in the surf. Johnson is unable to swim and managed to get caught in the undertow. He was being carried away from the shore when Leach went to his assistance. He also ran afoul of the undertow and started on a trip for China. The cries of the two brought a lifesaver to their assistance. Johnson was rescued first, and when Leach was reached he was just about all in. Now both have sworn off bathing and in the future will confine their aquatic stunts to a porcelain bath tub.

TROUGH RAPIDS IN A BARREL

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Sept. 25.—Bobby Leach, of Niagara Falls, Ontario, today made a trip through the Whirlpool rapids in a barrel, starting from the Old Maid of the Mist and landing at Cantilever bridge. Except for a few scratches and bruises, Leach, who claims to have made the trip several times before, was unharmed.

DESCRIBES DEATH OF GIRL FOLLOWING CRIMINAL OPERATION

Nurse Breaks Silence and Relates Events That Lead to the Demise of Pretty Young School Teacher.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25.—After two days and nights of silence Marie Messerschmidt, the nurse held in detainee since Friday night in connection with the death of Miss Eva Swan, following the finding of the girl's body beneath the cement flooring of the basement of the vacant house, confessed to the police today that she had knowledge of the operation performed by Dr. James Grant upon Miss Swan, and that she attended the girl after the operation.

Dr. Grant was taken into custody with the nurse and late today Paul Parker, former Stanford athlete, who lived in the house where Miss Swan roomed, was taken to the police station and placed in detainee.

The nurse was induced to tell the story to her brother-in-law, August Borman, of Oakland, who visited her at the city prison this afternoon. He showed her a picture of her dead mother, pleading with her to tell the police everything, impressing upon her that this would be her mother's wish. The young woman fainted and upon recovery became hysterical. When she was quieted she agreed to tell the entire story to detectives.

Following the confession, Dr. Grant was led from his cell and brought into the desk sergeant's office, where Miss Messerschmidt was seated. At sight of his nurse Dr. Grant broke away from his jailers and ran along the prison corridors. He was chased by policemen and forcibly returned to the office. He staggered and almost sank to the floor when he learned of the nurse's collapse.

In her story Miss Messerschmidt said that Paul P. Parker, the young man who had known Miss Swan for eight years, had visited the hospital on three different occasions to see the dying girl after the operation. The police imme-

diately took Parker into custody and placed him in detainee at the city prison. He admitted the visits to the hospital to see Miss Swan, but strongly denied any responsibility for her condition. Later he gave the police a detailed account of his acquaintance with Miss Swan.

Miss Messerschmidt says she was not present at the operation, which was performed, she said, on April 16 of this year, at the offices of Dr. Grant. Following the operation Miss Swan returned to work at the office, where she was employed. She was forced to leave her work on April 20 on account of illness and went to Dr. Grant. She was placed in bed in the small hospital ward maintained by the doctor. There she remained for ten days, her condition gradually becoming worse until death brought relief.

VENEZUELAN LEGATION QUITS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Formal notice of the withdrawal of the Venezuelan legation in Bogota has been received here by the state department, but no reason is assigned for the rupture between the two countries. It is assumed that it is the result of the re-opening of an old quarrel over the rights of navigation in Lake Maracaibo and customs disputes.

REPUBLICAN SMOKER THURSDAY NIGHT

The Republicans of Tonopah, and also of Nye county, as well as visiting brethren, are arranging for a big smoker for Thursday night. By that time the state platform will have been formulated and it will be presented to the voters of this district by able talkers. Then, of course, there will be smokes and refreshments, and a general good time. A committee is now at work completing the arrangements.

cratic platform for the fall campaign.

Charles Knox, president of the Montana Tonopah and Mizpah Extension mining companies, arrived from the coast Sunday for a few days' stay.

Fred A. Burnham, general manager of the Tonopah United Water company, went to Goldfield today on business connected with his company.

Attorney Pat Carney, who has been visiting on the coast, and also in Reno and Carson, passed through this city Sunday on his way home to Goldfield.

W. B. Alexander, general manager of the Montana Tonopah, returned from Carson Sunday, having been in attendance before the federal court.

Ed Ryan, state mine inspector, after spending a few days in Goldfield, left the southern city this morning for Carson, where he has headquarters.

Maurice Pink, who is interested in mining near Blair, arrived from the north today and continued on to Goldfield on the south-bound train.

J. P. Loftus, J. R. Davis and Attorney R. G. Withers, after spending Sunday in Goldfield, returned to Tonopah this morning to be in attendance in the district court.

Tom G. Murphy, who formerly managed the Broken Hills Mining company at Clifford, was aboard the north-bound train this morning, en route from Goldfield to Thorne.

T. J. Lynch, who was a witness in the case of R. P. Dunlap versus the Montana Tonopah Mining company, which was tried before the federal court at Carson, returned to Tonopah Sunday.

A. Mackie, president of the Wolf-tone Extension company at Manhattan, after spending several days in the northern camp, returned to Tonopah Saturday evening and left this morning for San Francisco.

AEROPLANE TO BE USED IN FRENCH COLONIES

PARIS, Sept. 25.—The employment of aeroplanes in French colonies of Africa and Asia is under discussion by the minister of colonies and the National Aerial league, and it is probable that their estimates for next year will include provisions for a number of machines, together with instruction of pilots.

The French possessions in Africa, which make about one-fourth of that continent, are lamentably lacking in means of rapid communication. Although railroads follow the coast line, they rarely penetrate the interior, where communication is by caravan. Cities and remote

villages now separated by weeks and months of travel, would then be reached in a few hours or a day or two.

The Aerial league is working out aerial routes with special reference to the physical character of the country, wind currents and landing and supply stations. It is estimated that aeroplanes would make 100 to 250 miles daily with two or three passengers.

Governors of colonies report intense interest in the advent of the aeroplane. An aero club has been formed in Indo-China and the members are already considering the arrangement of an aeroplane race from Sagon to Paris.

YOUNG MAN IS SAVED FROM A HORRIBLE DEATH

DRAGGED FROM FRONT OF A MOVING TRAIN AS WHEELS NEARLY CATCH HIM.

William F. Gray, who claims to have some sort of a lien upon the University of Nevada and is a wonderful man in other respects, narrowly escaped being a sacrifice to juggernaut this afternoon, says the Reno Gazette.

He became overheated as a result of the hot sun and the superheated stimulants he had imbibed and sought shade for a siesta.

He selected a nice cool, Southern Pacific rail, shielded from the sun by a passenger train that had been halted for a brief stop and immediately fell asleep.

Just opposite him was the Nevada-California-Oregon freight shed, where a number of men were engaged handling merchandise.

The saw the man's perilous position and dragged him forth, just as the train started moving.

Officers Devenenzi and Johnson then gave him safe convey to the city prison. He said he had just come from Tonopah and wanted a messenger boy to take notification to Dr. Stubbs of his arrival.

SEATTLE MAYOR TO BE OUSTED BY RECALL SYSTEM

SEATTLE, Sept. 25.—The Public Welfare league perfected its plans today for the attempted ousting of Mayor Hiram C. Gill, by the recall, and the form of the recall petition has been drafted. It will request the removal of the mayor on the ground that he is violating the law and is guilty of malfeasance of office, in permitting the existence of a district inhabited by disorderly houses and gambling resorts.

To bring about a recall election, 20 per cent of the total vote cast at the election last March must be represented on the petition. The Welfare league proposes to have the petition signed at once, but not to present it to the council until January, so that the recall election may be held at the same time as the election to choose councilmen. The city has already decided upon the abolition of the present council and the substitution of a smaller body elected at large. Receipts written in Chinese, which were found in a safe seized in a Chinese gambling joint by the sheriff last week, show that gambling conducted by a syndicate of fourteen Chinese has been continuous since 1905, and has netted the syndicate nearly \$500,000. The papers show that up to six months ago the net proceeds varied between \$100 and \$150 a day, but in the last six months they have averaged \$300 to \$600 a day.

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PURE FOOD AND DRUG EXPERT HERE ON BUSINESS

PROF. S. C. DINSMORE ON THE HUNT FOR ADULTERATED FOODS.

Sanford C. Dinsmore, who occasionally uses the prefix "Prof.", chemist in charge of the food and drug control of the Nevada agricultural experiment station at Reno, and who is the chief investigator of adulterated foods, came up from Millers yesterday and departed this morning for Reno. Mr. Dinsmore has visited every camp in the state during the last year and has taken many thousand samples of different foods, looking for adulterations. Recently seven merchants were summoned to appear before the board of control to answer charges of having sold foods in conflict with the pure food and drugs act, and if the charges are substantiated, the accused will face trial in the Reno district court.

Prior to taking charge of his present duties, Mr. Dinsmore was connected with the chemistry department of the University of Nevada. He has been in constant demand by the merchants of Nevada as well as by the cattle and sheep men, for by his efforts he has demonstrated by experiments, that numerous shrubs and desert plants make proper food for range animals.

EYE INJURED WHEN CARTRIDGE EXPLODES

Jack E. Peck, Tonopah agent of the T. & G. road, while out target shooting yesterday afternoon on the desert below town, met with an accident that nearly caused him the loss of his right optic. In some manner a cartridge in the 22-caliber rifle he was firing, exploded and several pieces of the brass shell were blown from the chamber of the gun and entered his eye. The substance was extracted, but Mr. Peck will be forced to keep the injured optic bandaged for several days to come.

TEDDY REFUSES TO FLY.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 25.—Governor Hadley received a letter today from Theodore Roosevelt in which the colonel wrote he did not deem it advisable to go up in an aeroplane while in St. Louis, October 11. There is to be an aviation meet in St. Louis on that date. The promoters invited Mr. Roosevelt to accompany one of the aviators on a flight. In a letter Mr. Roosevelt hints that for him to make a flight might be regarded as seeking sensation.

FORMER DIPLOMAT DEAD.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 25.—John L. Peak, formerly United States minister to Switzerland, died at his home here tonight. He was 71 years of age. Mr. Peak had resided here for more than forty years, being engaged in the practice of law. He was born in Scott county, Kentucky.

Location notices, both in book form or by the dozen. For sale at this office.

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